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SUBJ: PEACEKEEPING: COMITE 33 WORKING GROUP (WG)

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1. SUMMARY: AT WG MEETING MAY 4 SOVIETS AGREED TO LIST " COMPOSITION" AS ITEM REQUIRING FURTHER DISCUSSION. PAKISTAN AND JAPAN INSISTED THAT NEXT ITEM IN WORKING PAPER ONE, " SUPPORT FACILITIES," BE SIMILARLY CATEGORIZED. AFTER INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION OF NEXT TWO ITEMS, REGARDING AGREEMENTS WITH TROOP CONTRIBUTORS AND WITH HOST COUNTRY, WG APPROVED FACTUAL REPORT FROM WG TO COMITE 33 SUMMARIZING RESULTS OF WG MEETINGS SINCE 27 TH GA. COMITE 33 SCHEDULED TO CONSIDER WG REPORT MAY 10. END SUMMARY.

2. UNDER PRESSURE FROM BRAZIL, CANADA, UK, US AND NIGERIA, SOVIETS AGREED AT WG MEETING MAY 4 TO LIST SC' S RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THREE HEADINGS: (A) " ITEMS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE"; (B) " ITEMS ON WHICH DISCUSSION WILL BE RESUMED", WHICH EVERYONE UNDERSTOOD TO BE EUPHEMISM FOR DISAGREED ITEMS; AND (C) " ITEMS YET TO BE CONSIDERED." SOVIETS THEN AGREED TO PLACE " COMPOSITION" UNDER SECOND HEADING.

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3. DURING DISCUSSION OF NEXT ITEM IN WORKING PAPER ONE, " SUPPORT FACILITIES", US AND USSR THOUGHT ITEM MIGHT BE COMBINED WITH ITEM SIX, " SIZE", BUT PAKISTAN AND JAPAN FELT SYG SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETAILS SUCH AS SUPPORT

FACILITIES AND INSISTED ITEM BE PUT UNDER SECOND HEADING.

4. LENGTHY AND INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON NEXT TWO ITEMS, " CONTENT OF AGREEMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES" AND " CONTENT OF AGREEMENTS WITH HOST COUNTRY". CANADA FELT SC SHOULD HAVE MORE SAY OVER CONTENT OF AGREEMENTS THAN MERELY APPROVING MODEL AGREEMENTS . JAPAN, SECONDED BY BRAZIL, PROPOSED RE- WORDING ITEMS TO READ " AUTHORIZE SYG TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES/ HOST COUNTRY." PAKISTAN BELIEVED SC SHOULD NOT AS RULE CONCERN ITSELF WITH CONTENT OF AGREEMENTS ; PAKISTAN PROPOSED AMENDING ITEMS TO READ " CONTENT OF AGREEMENTS. . . (MODEL AGREEMENTS AND CHANGES THERETO)".

5. SCHAUFEELE EXPLAINED US VIEW PER PARA 6 (E) STATE 67730 . THIS PROMPTED OVINNIKOV (USSR) TO EXPLAIN THAT LIKE US, SOVIET DELEGATION DID NOT THINK SC SHOULD CONCERN ITSELF WITH DETAILS OF AGREEMENTS. SYG SHOULD CONDUCT PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS IN NAME OF SC AND IN CONTACT WITH SUBSIDIARY ORGAN OF SC -- WHICH SUBSIDIARY ORGAN (I. E. MSC OR ARTICLE 29 COMITE) " WOULD BE DECIDED IN EACH SPECIFIC CASE." WHEN CONSULTATIONS WERE COMPLETED, RESULTS WOULD BE GIVEN TO SUBSIDIARY ORGAN. SC SHOULD NOT NECESSARILY APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE; CONCEIVABLE THAT SUBSIDIARY ORGAN WOULD AGREE WITH OUTCOME OF SYG' S CONSULTATIONS, REPORT TO SC, AND SC WOULD SIMPLY ACQUIESCE. OVINNIKOV SAID HE DID NOT WANT TO GO FURTHER INTO DETAILS BUT NOTED HIS DELEGATION COULD AGREE WITH PAKISTAN' S FORMULATION: (" CONTENT OF AGREEMENTS... (BEGIN BRACKETS) MODEL AGREEMENTS AND CHANGES THERETO(END BRACKETS)").

6. DUE TO LACK OF TIME, DISCUSSION OF ITEMS 11 AND 12 WAS SUSPENDED WITH NIGERIA SUGGESTING ITEMS BE PUT UNDER SECOND HEADING, PAKISTAN PROPOSING THAT WORD " CONTENTS" BE DROPPED, AND CANADA ARGUING THAT " CONTENTS" SHOULD BE RETAINED.

7. MEETING ENDED WITH DISCUSSION OF WORKING PAPER TWO, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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DRAFT REPORT OF WG TO COMITE 33. REPORT, DRAWN UP BY RAPPORTEUR (EGYPT), WAS STRAIGHTFORWARD SUMMARY OF MEETINGS OF WG AND WAS READILY APPROVED BY WG MAY 4. COMITE 33 SCHEDULED TO MEET MAY 10.

8. WG AGREED THAT SECRETARIAT WOULD DRAW UP NEW WORKING PAPER ACCORDING TO " THREE COLUMN" SCHEME. FIRST COLUMN, " ITEMS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE," WILL CONTAIN (A) AUTHORIZATION, (B) DEFINITION OF PURPOSE AND MANDATE, (C) KIND OF ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE REQUIRED BY COUNCIL, (D) DURATION AND RELATED QUESTIONS, (E) FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS, (F) SIZE (MAGNITUDE). SECOND COLUMN, " ITEMS ON WHICH DISCUSSION WILL BE

RESUMED," WILL CONTAIN (A) MANNER OF TERMINATION;
(B) COMPOSITION; (C) SUPPORT FACILITIES. COLUMN THREE,
" ITEMS YET TO BE CONSIDERED," WILL CONTAIN ITEMS 11
THRU 19 AS LISTED IN WORKING PAPER ONE.

9. COMMENT: BELIEVE WE SHOULD INSIST AT NEXT WG MEETING
THAT ITEMS 11 AND 12 IN WORKING PAPER ONE (" CONTENT OF
AGREEMENTS. . .") BE PLACED UNDER SECOND HEADING IF WORD
" CONTENTS" IS RETAINED, AS CANADIANS HAVE SO FAR URGED.
WE SEE NO REASON TO SIGNAL FLEXIBILITY ON THIS POINT AT
PRESENT STAGE OF GAME.

10. OVINNIKOV' S EXPLANATION OF SOVIET POSITION ON
AGREEMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTORS AND WITH HOST COUNTRY MAY
SIGNAL SOME FLEXIBILITY ON SOVIET PART, ALTHOUGH ON OTHER
HAND OVINNIKOV MAY HAVE BEEN SPEAKING WITHOUT PRECISE
INSTRUCTIONS. IN ANY CASE, TONE OF PROCEEDINGS CONTINUES
TO BE LOW- KEY AND BUSINESSLIKE. THUS FAR SOVIETS AND
CANADIANS HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY ISOLATED IN PUSHING FOR
MAJOR PARTICIPATION OF SC IN PKO, WHILE JAPAN, UK, PAKISTAN
AND BRAZIL SEEM INCLINED TO OUR VIEW OF RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN SC AND WG. ARGENTINA, EGYPT AND INDIA HAVE BEEN
PASSIVE. FRANCE TENDS TO SUPPORT SOVIET VIEWS BUT SO FAR
HAS PLAYED MINIMAL ROLE.

11. WG CLEARLY AGREES THAT LISTING EXERCISE REPRESENTS
TENTATIVE EXPLORATION OF AREAS OF AGREEMENT AND
DISAGREEMENT AND IS SUBJECT TO DETAILED RE- EXAMINATION
WHEN RESPONSIBILITIES OF VARIOUS ORGANS ARE VIEWED AS
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